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SUBJECT: VISIT A. ATLEY PETERSON

1. MR. A. ATLEY PETERSON, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS (ATF), DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, PLANS PERSONAL VISIT TO FRG IN SEPTEMBER 1978. PETERSON SERVES AS PROGRAM MANAGER IN TREASURY (ATF) FOR DEVELOPMENT OF EXPLOSIVE TAGGING TECHNIQUES. LEGISLATION CURRENTLY BEFORE THE CONGRESS WOULD REQUIRE THAT ALL IMPORTED OR DOMESTICALLY MANUFACTURED EXPLOSIVES CONTAIN IDENTIFYING MATERIAL WHICH WOULD PERMIT FIXING SOURCE AND TIME OF MANUFACTURE AS WELL AS DETECTION OF CONCEALED EXPLOSIVES. PETERSON PREVIOUSLY HAS HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH FRG POLICE OFFICIALS ON TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN ATF'S PROGRAM AND WITH DR. J. MEIER, WISSENSCHAFTLICHER DIENST DER STADTPOLIZEI ZURICH,

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WHO HAS WRITTEN ATF FOR COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION ON U.S. EXPLOSIVES TAGGING SYSTEMS.

2. PETERSON, DURING COURSE OF TRIP TO EUROPE IN SEPTEMBER, WOULD BE WILLING TO BRIEF APPROPRIATE FRG AND GOS OFFICIALS ON USG PROGRESS IN THIS AREA AND PROVIDE AVAILABLE INFORMATION. IF NO OBJECTION PERCEIVED,

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ADXDDRESSEE EMBASSIES ADVISE

RESPECTIVE HOST GOVERNMENTS OF PROPOSED VISIT, ASCERTAIN
THEIR INTEREST IN MEETING WITH MR. PETERSON AND ELICIT
THEIR SUGGESTIONS FOR CONTACTS WITH APPROPRIATE
OFFICIALS, IN LAW ENFORCEMENT/COUNTER-TERRORISM/
GOVERNMENT R&D SECTORS.

3. ON RECEIPT FRG AND SWISS RESPONSES, PETERSON WILL
PROVIDE FIRM TRAVEL SCHEDULE. VANCE

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